REMARKS

Applicant respectfully requests that the foregoing amendments be made prior to examination of the present application.

Claims 4, 6, 8, 12-14, 16-18, 22, 24, 26, 30-32, 34-36, 38 and 40 have been amended to remove the multiply dependent claims. A detailed listing of all claims in the application is presented with an appropriate defined status identifier. No new matter has been added.

Applicant believes that the present application is now in condition for allowance. Favorable consideration of the application as amended is respectfully requested.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone if it is felt that a telephone interview would advance the prosecution of the present application.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. If any extensions of time are needed for timely acceptance of papers submitted here, applicants hereby petition for such extension, under 37 CFR § 1.136, and authorize payment of any such extensions fees via Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Respectfully submitted,

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